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1. Production of calcium chloride lye was restarted in Bitterfeld on 23 August 1948 and has amounted to 15 metric tons per day since 1 September 1948.
2. Normal calcium chloride production was 550 metric tons monthly based on 100 percent calcium chloride. Of this quantity, 3-400 metric tons monthly are destined for metallic calcium production, and 150 metric tons monthly for inland use, cooling salts and pharmaceutical purposes (Calzan etc.). Because of a shortage of freight cars, none of this local allocation is now delivered. There is a reparation order on hand for one hundred tons of calcium chloride.
3. Between 23 August and 6 September 1948 about 0.75 metric tons of calcium was produced by electrolysis daily. Since 6 September 1948, the amount has been increased to about one metric ton.
4. According to a new order from Sokolovsky, all orders for apparatus for the Electro-Chemisches Kombinat previously placed with Krupp-Gruson, Maschinenfabrik Buckau, R. Wolf (all in Magdeburg), Kellmann & Söhne in Bernburg, and Dreier & Reichstein in Bitterfeld are being deferred in favor of orders for a plant shortly to be erected inside the Fabbenfabrik Wolfen, allegedly as a substitute for the Badische Anilin - und Sodafabrik in Ludwigshafen.

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